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Draft report

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Chapter ___
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2009 regular session from 19 to 28 January 2009. The Committee held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

2. The session was opened by the Vice-Chairman of the 2008 sessions of the Committee, Alexandru Ciorobea (Romania), who served as temporary Chairman.

3. At the 1st meeting, on 19 January, the Chairman of the Committee, Hassan Hamid Hassan (Sudan), made an opening statement. Introductory statements were made by the Director of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat and the Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by 19 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for non-Member States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be issued as document E/C.2/2009/INF/1.

5. At its 2009 regular session, the Committee heard ___ representatives of non-governmental organizations who were given the opportunity to respond to

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questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate and the work of the Committee in taking its decisions.

C. Election of officers

6. At its 1st meeting, on 19 January, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation.

Chairman:
Hassan Hamid Hassan (Sudan)

Vice-Chairmen:
Alexandru Ciorobea (Romania)
Luis A. Amorós Núñez (Cuba)
Ramis Sen (Turkey)
Suljuk Mustansar Tarar (Pakistan)

7. At the same meeting, it was decided that Suljuk Mustansar Tarar (Pakistan) would also serve as Rapporteur.

D. Agenda

8. At its 1st meeting, on 19 January, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2009 session as contained in document E/C.2/2009/1. The agenda reads as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
   (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee;
   (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
   (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
   (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
   (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.
5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat.

6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:

   (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;

   (b) Consideration of issues in the agenda of the informal working group;

   (c) Other related matters.

7. Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/46 and decision 2008/217.

8. Consideration of special reports.

9. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.

10. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2010 session of the Committee.

11. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

9. At the same meeting, the Committee approved its organization of work as contained in working paper No. 1.

E. Documentation

[To be inserted]